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In re Application of:

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WITH A TENNIS BALL RETRIEVER

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) Art Unit: 3711  
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) Serial No.: 09/655,743  
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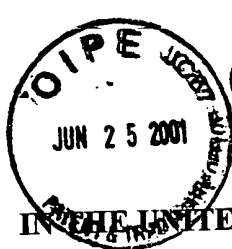
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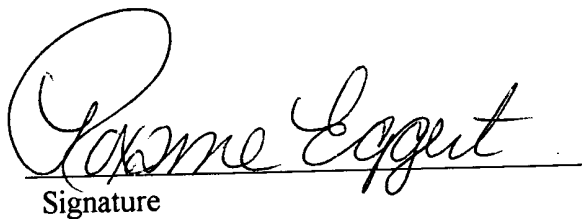
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